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NEWS RELEASE

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NEW GIFT SHOP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON OFFERS NATIVITIES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

DAYTON, Ohio — Take home a manger or a handmade ornament from The Stable Store, the new gift shop for the University of Dayton's annual exhibit of Nativity scenes from the Marian Library.

The shop opens its doors during the "At the Manger: World Nativity Traditions" open house **1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 27, at Roesch Library** and will be open through Jan. 31 during exhibit hours.

While the University libraries have offered exhibits of Nativity scenes, also called crèches, to the community for 16 years, this is the first year for a gift shop.

"A lot of people were asking if they could buy these pieces or if we had any for sale," said Kathleen Webb, dean of University libraries. "I think it really ignited interest in families, who maybe said, 'Gosh, we haven't had one of these in our house. Let's start this tradition.'"

The gift shop has 40 different kinds of ornaments, Advent calendars and Nativity scenes for sale, including handcrafted glass and ceramic pieces from Peru, Venezuela and parts of Africa. Merchandise ranges in price from \$5.70 for a cherubic Peruvian angel ornament to \$70 for a large multi-piece resin Nativity set.

"We wanted to have a mix of items from the developing world as well as items that people may remember as something more traditional that their grandmother or mother would have owned," said Webb. "We tried to pick a selection that everybody who visited would find something that spoke to them."

Sale proceeds will benefit the Marian Library's crèche collection and will pay for acquisitions, displays and repairs, Webb said. The library's collection of more than 3,600 Nativities features sets from many different cultures and countries and is one of the largest collections in the U.S.

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The gift shop will be open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays; and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays through Jan. 31 or until supplies last. For information on At the Manger, visit <http://www.udayton.edu/libraries/manger>.

Items may also be purchased online through the University of Dayton bookstore. Visit the At the Manger website and click on The Stable Store for online shopping.

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